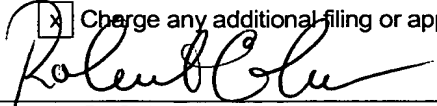
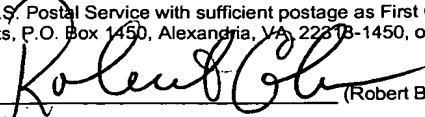




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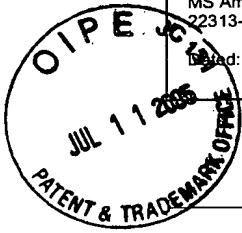
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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the official action mailed June 7, 2005, in which claims 1-178 were held subject to a restriction requirement, the following remarks are respectfully submitted.